



BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Performing Arts (Musical Theatre)

WHY TAKE THIS COURSE?

If further training or a career in the Performing Arts is what you aspire to, then this is the course for you. It is a mainly practical course that focuses on building your confidence, performance skills and technique in acting, dancing and singing.

It is aimed at dedicated and passionate performers who already have some training or experience in the performing arts and wish to be pushed to be the best they can be in a professional and rewarding environment.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study techniques in acting, dancing and singing through practical classes and rehearsals. Each discipline is first explored separately and units include; Singing Skills for Actors and Dancers, Principles of Acting and Jazz Dance. Following this you will combine the skills and techniques learnt in a series of performances. (See our website for photos of previous performances).

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You are assessed every 6 weeks in order to ensure progress and receive formal feedback. These assessments will be a culmination of what you have been studying in each discipline and will be performed in a professional setting. This ensures maximum performance experience and builds students' confidence as performers. Some of the units have written assignments to accompany practical work.

WHAT SKILLS AND SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?

Due to the specialist nature of this course you are required to audition prior to enrolment. During this audition process we are looking to see if you have any experience in the performing arts; your level of professionalism; focus; dedication and commitment to all the disciplines; and potential in areas of the course in which you may be less experienced. For the audition you will be required to take part in a musical theatre dance class as a group, then perform a monologue and solo musical theatre song. This is not something to be worried about and just an opportunity for you to show us what you can do.

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Most of our students go on to further training in the performing arts, either in a University or Specialist Performing Arts Theatre School. You are guided through this application and audition process by experienced tutors.

PRIESTLEY EXTRA

All Performing Arts students are required to present their work for assessments during evening performances at Priestley. We also encourage the students to take part in our Performing Arts enrichment companies as well as attend regular theatre visits, take part in any professional workshops and residential trips provided by the area.